

### 3.1-3.2 Elementary School Spaces

#### 3.11 Square Footage Recommendations

For elementary school space square footage recommendations, the general rationale is as follows:

- A) The total space of 100-110 square feet per pupil assumes at least three sections per grade level, or 525 pupils K-6. Smaller enrollment schools will likely average considerably more than 100 square feet per pupil.
- B) For each elementary instructional space, square footage is based upon the number of pupils (e.g., 25) using the space at any one time as indicated. If there will be more pupils in the classroom than indicated (e.g., 75 instead of 50-60 in music), square footage will have to be increased. If there will be fewer pupils (e.g., 15 instead of 25 in a grade six classroom), the classroom must still be 900 square feet unless otherwise noted (e.g., smaller general music space).

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### 3.1-3.2 Secondary School Spaces

#### 3.31 Square Footage Recommendations

For secondary school space square footage recommendations, the general rationale is as follows:

- A) The total space of 120-220+ feet per student depends upon 1) school enrollment, 2) grade levels in the school, and 3) specialized areas (e.g., auditorium, pool) desired. As the enrollment, grade levels, or desired specialized spaces increase, so would the required total square feet per pupil. Student enrollment of at least 75 pupils in grades 7-9 and 100 pupils in grades 10-12 (525 pupils 7-12) will be assumed unless otherwise indicated.
- B) A breakdown of the total square feet per student based on the type of school:

	<u>Square feet per student</u>
Middle School	120-150
Junior High School	130-165
High School, Grades 7-12	150-200
Senior High School	160-200

Detailed educational specifications must be completed before the needed total square feet per pupil is accurately determined. The above square footages are for preliminary planning purposes only.

- C) For each instructional space, square footage is based on the number of students (e.g., 25) indicated. If there will be more students in the classroom than indicated (e.g., 30 instead of 25 in a computer lab), square footage should be increased accordingly. If there will be fewer students (e.g., 15 instead of 25 in classroom), the classroom must still be 800 square feet unless otherwise indicated.
- D) Space for storage of materials, office and/or conference space is also essential and must be planned for in determining total square footage needs.